

UTAH TOWN WIPED OUT.

Thousand People Without Food or Shelter Appeal for Aid.

Salt Lake City, Utah, June 26.—Mercer, the great cyanide gold camp, and the second largest mining town in Utah, was practically wiped out of existence by fire today. The origin of the fire remains a mystery, beyond the fact that it began with an explosion of some kind about 3 o'clock this morning in the upper story of the Preble block, in which the Esquire hotel and saloon were located.

A short time after the fire broke out the telephone exchange was destroyed and all wire communication was shut off.

At 2:30 o'clock this afternoon a courier rode into Fairfield, a station on the Tintic branch of the Oregon Short Line, and telephoned that Mercer had been wiped off the map, so far as the business district is concerned. Not less than forty or fifty stores have been completely destroyed, and there is not a single store left in the camp.

The people are in a destitute and pitiable condition. At least 1,000 are without food and shelter.

Governor Wells and Mayor Thompson of Salt Lake were appealed to for immediate assistance.

Fully 80 per cent of the town has been destroyed. Not one business house remains, and scores of residences are in ashes. So far as known, however, no loss of life resulted.

A conservative estimate places the total loss at between \$400,000 and \$1,000,000, and the insurance at \$250,000.

The census of 1900 gave Mercer's population at 2,351.

How's This?

We offer One Hundred Dollars Reward for any case of Catarrh that cannot be cured by Hall's Catarrh Cure.

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The high brokers of the Republican party are not only opposed to free and fair trading, but they condemn reciprocity itself.

Ten Years in Bed.

R. A. Gray, J. P., Oakville, Ind., writes: "For ten years I was confined to my bed with disease of my kidneys. It was so severe that I could not move, part of the time. I consulted the very best medical skill available, but could get no relief until Foley's Kidney Cure was recommended to me. It has been a godsend to me." Bonner & Bonner.

It takes time to tell just what is going to happen.

On the first indication of kidney trouble, stop it by taking Foley's Kidney Cure. Bonner & Bonner.

There is always somewhere to go— if one has a free pass.

During the summer kidney irregularities are often caused by excessive drinking, or being overheated. Attend to the kidneys at once by using Foley's Kidney Cure. Bonner & Bonner.

Highly romantic mortals prefer their blessings in disguise.

A Traveling Man.

Confided to us the other day that he used Dr. Caldwell's Syrup Pepsin in his family, and needed no other remedy, as it seemed to keep the entire family so perfectly free from constipation, indigestion, sick headache and stomach troubles. Sold by W. B. Frame, Ardmore and Madill.

Go ahead, and later along you may be sure your are right, if you are not dead wrong.

Announcement.

C. B. Ladd wishes to announce his election by the Retail Grocers' association as collector; and further, that said association has placed in his hands all old accounts for collection. Those knowing themselves indebted to the grocers of Ardmore will call and settle same and avoid costs. Pay your groceryman, or see me.

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C. B. LADD.

Do not fancy because you come out at the little end of the horn that other things are not going to come out right.

Was Wasting Away.

The following letter from Robert R. Watts of Salem, Mo., is instructive: "I have been troubled with kidney disease for the last five years. I lost flesh and never felt well, and doctored with leading physicians and tried all remedies suggested, without relief. Finally I tried Foley's Kidney Cure, and less than two bottles completely cured me and I am now sound and well." Bonner & Bonner.

INDIAN GIRL ATTEMPTS SUICIDE.

Disappointed in Love She Takes Carbonic Acid—Was Prominent.

Pawhuska, O. T., June 26.—Miss May Killebe, one of Pawhuska's handsomest young society ladies, attempted suicide here this afternoon by taking two ounces of carbolic acid dissolved on whiskey. The prompt attention of Dr. Dunn and the fact that the carbolic acid was dissolved in whiskey accounts for the slow recovery of the young lady. The cause of this rash act on the part of Miss Killebe is said to be a love affair. Miss Killebe belongs to one of the oldest, substantial and most highly respected families upon the Osage reservation and this act, upon her part, has created sympathy for her in no small degree.

The attempt at suicide of Miss May Killebe at Pawhuska is the first instance of the kind ever recorded among the Indians of the Osage reservation.

Miss Killebe is a quarter blood Osage of more than the average intelligence.

Laugh and the World

Laugh with you: have chills and you chill alone. Cheatham's Laxative Chili Tablets cure, give an appetite and strength. Most convenient chili tonic on earth. Can carry in the vest pocket.

Man Fought a Panther.

Gus Haas of Atoka, who owns a panther and a wolf, had a narrow escape a day or so ago. The wolf and panther were each about eight months old and were kept in the same room and at times were playful and got along nicely together. After feeding them in the evening Mr. Haas heard terrible screams from the wolf and panther, and when he opened the door found them in a death struggle. Being unable to separate them he took refuge on a counter in the room, from which position he witnessed the fight, which lasted for thirty minutes. The wolf was disemboweled and died. The panther, with glaring eyes and blood streaming from his mouth, turned upon Mr. Haas. After seeing him for a few moments the animal sprang at his throat, but Mr. Haas kicked him again and again from the counter, and finally seized an iron bar and dealt the panther a death blow on the head and laid him out. The fight was terrible, and an examination showed the wolf had two legs broken and besides being disemboweled was otherwise badly cut from ear to ear and several gashes four to six inches long were found on his body.

In as much as the section of the Curtis bill relating to the payments for town lots has been changed by later legislation it may be interesting to many of our readers to learn when payments shall be made. Mr. Hefley, chairman of the Townsite Commission, is authority for the statement that all improved lots may be paid for as follows: Twenty-five per cent within sixty days from date of notice, and twenty-five per cent one year after award counting from the day on which the first payment was required to be made. To illustrate, if you received notice of your appraisal on May 8 by the 8th day of July you must remit one fourth of the amount of your payment and the next payment is not required until July 8, 1903.

On the day set for the sale of vacant lots, the Indian agent will have a representative here to accept and receipt for payments made. The commission will go from lot to lot selling. The purchaser is required to pay 10 per cent in advance to the representative of the Indian agent, and within fifteen days he must remit to the Indian agent fifteen per cent of the purchased price and the third payment falls due one year from the date of the sale.

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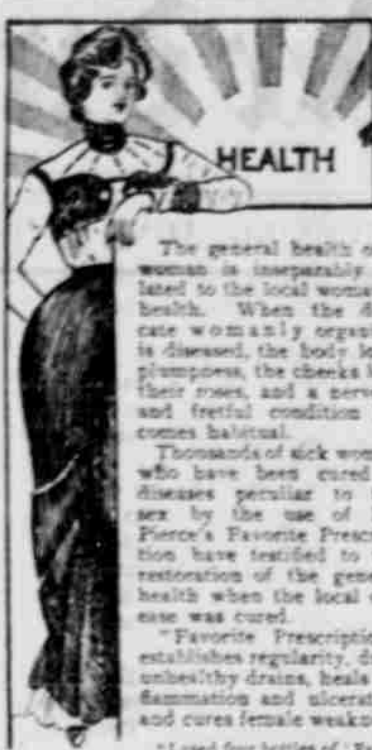
The successful man in a controversy is the one who makes assertions and lets the other fellow hunt for proof.

Williams, Corbin & Co., invite you to see their new shipment of White Elephant buggies.

Perhaps the two hardest things to find are a needle in a haystack and a pretty girl who doesn't know it.

Mrs. Maggie Hooper Sends Message. Jeffersonville, Ind., May 15, 1900. Pepsin Syrup Co., Monticello, Ill.: Dear Friends: I was bothered with stomach trouble and dyspepsia for years. Nothing helped me until I tried your grand Dr. Caldwell's Syrup Pepsin, and now I feel like a new woman. You may publish this, that all others may learn of the great benefit of your cure. Sincerely yours, MRS. MAGGIE HOOPER. Sold by W. B. Frame, Ardmore and Madill.

"If ever I have a disappointment in love," said a girl today, "I am going to be real old fashioned about it, and pine."



HEALTH

The general health of a woman is inseparably related to the local womanly health. When the delicate womanly organism is diseased, the body loses plumpness, the cheeks lose their roses, and a nervous and fretful condition becomes habitual. Thousands of sick women who have been cured of diseases peculiar to the sex by the use of Dr. Pierce's Favorite Prescription have testified to the restoration of the general health when the local disease was cured.

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HUNTSVILLE, TEX.

Sam Houston Summer Normal School, June 23rd, to July 31st. Limit August 1st. Rates on the convention plan.

HOUSTON, TEX.

Hood's Texas Brigade Association, June 27 and 28; limit June 29. Rate one and one-third fare, plus 10 per cent.

ATLANTA, GA.

Negro Young People's Christian and Educational Congress, August 6 to 11. Rate, one standard first-class limited fare plus \$1.50 membership fee. See Santa Fe agents for limit.

MONTEAGLE, TEX.

Monteagle Sunday School Institute, August 11 to 23; limit August 27. Rate one first-class standard fare for the round trip.

MONTEAGLE, TENN.

Monteagle Assembly Bible School July 3 to August 15; limit not later than August 30. Rate, one standard first-class limited fare for the round trip.

TACOMA, WASH.

Annual meeting Young People's Union Society of the United Presbyterian Church. See Santa Fe agents for rates and limit.

SULPHUR SPRING, I. T.

Tourist rates. See Santa Fe agents for particulars.

SAN FRANCISCO, CAL.

Biennial meeting, Knights Pythias, August 12 to 14, 1902. See Santa Fe agent for rate and limit.

MACON, GA.

Annual Meeting Farmers National Congress, October 7th to 10th. Limit October 15th. Rate one standard first-class limited fare for the round trip.

NASHVILLE, TENN.

Peabody College Summer School, June 16th to July 28th. Limit August 2nd, rate on standard first-class limited for the round trip.

BIRMINGHAM, ALA.

National Baptist Convention (Colored), September 17th to 24th. Limit Sept. 29th, rate one standard first-class limited fare for the round trip.

ST. LOUIS, Mo.

Summer Institute Meeting, June 1902, limit September 15th rate one standard first-class limited fare, plus \$2.00 for the round trip.

CHICAGO, ILL.

Summer Institute Meeting, June 1902, limit September 15th rate one standard first-class limited fare, plus \$2.00 for the round trip.

DENVER, COLO.

Triennial Convention International Sunday School Association, June 26th to July 2nd, limit August 2nd. See Santa Fe Agents for rates.

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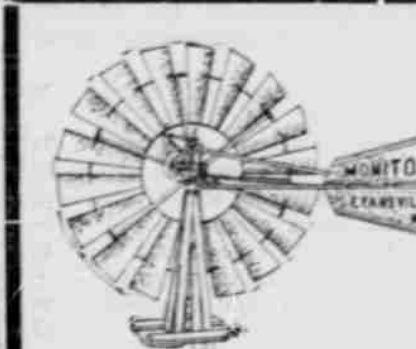
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